

## **A41F**

### **GARMENT FASTENINGS; SUSPENDERS**

#### **Special rules of classification within this subclass**

Machines, appliances or methods for making a particular article of apparel should be classified in the relevant group for the machine, appliance or method concerned in [A41H](#) and also as additional information with the relevant symbol of the particular article of apparel concerned in [A41B](#) to [A41F](#).

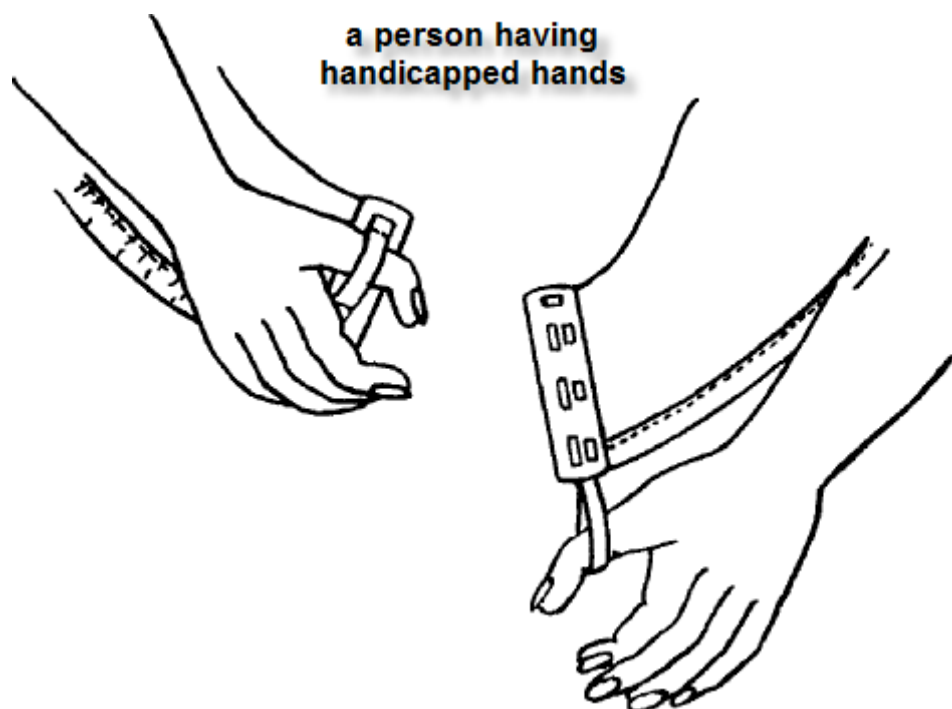
## A41F 1/00

Fastening devices specially adapted for garments ({for pairing socks [A41B 11/002](#); for fur garments [A41D 5/006](#)}; fastening devices in general [A44B](#); {for babies` napkins [A61F 13/56](#)})

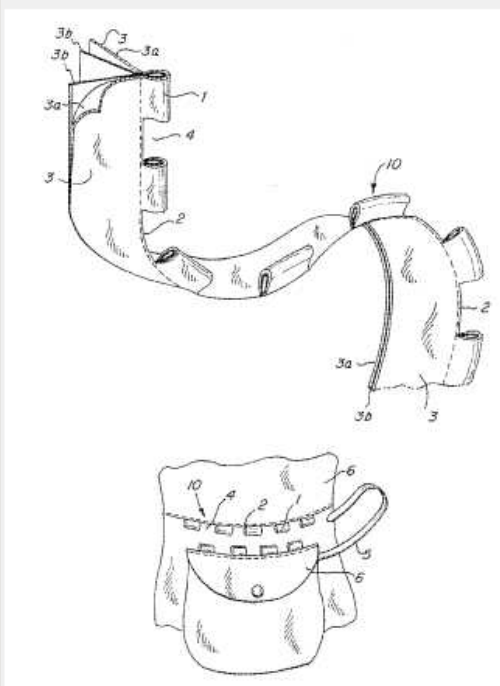
### Definition statement

*This group covers:*

Illustrative example of subject matter classified in this group.



✓ 158. [US5632071](#) - Flexible hinge connector



## References relevant to classification in this group

*This group does not cover:*

Fastening cuffs to shirts	<a href="#">A41B 7/04</a>
Fastening shirt cuffs to sleeves of jackets	<a href="#">A41B 7/06</a>
Fastening in general	<a href="#">A44B</a>
Straps, bands	<a href="#">A45C 13/30</a>
Carrying straps	<a href="#">A45F 3/14</a>
Carriers for hand articles	<a href="#">A45F 5/00</a>
Fastening articles to the garment	<a href="#">A45F 5/02</a>
Carriers for holding garments	<a href="#">A45F 5/06</a>
Garment bags	<a href="#">A47G 25/54</a>
Orthopaedic slings, straps for holding arms	<a href="#">A61F 5/3746</a>
Packaging for clothing	<a href="#">B65D 85/18</a>
Training garments for manipulating fasteners	<a href="#">G09B 25/00</a>
Supports for musical instruments, straps	<a href="#">G10G 5/005</a>
Carrying straps around neck	<a href="#">A45F 2003/002</a>
Carrying straps around waist	<a href="#">A45F 3/005</a>
For babies` napkins	<a href="#">A61F 13/56</a>
For pairing socks	<a href="#">A41B 11/002</a>

For fur garments	<a href="#">A41D 5/006</a>
Fastening cuffs to shirts	<a href="#">A41B 7/04</a>
Fastening shirt cuffs to sleeves of jackets	<a href="#">A41B 7/06</a>
Straps, bands	<a href="#">A45C 13/30</a>
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Packaging for clothing	<a href="#">B65D 85/18</a>
Supports for musical instruments, straps	<a href="#">G10G 5/005</a>
Carrying straps around neck	<a href="#">A45F 2003/002</a>
Carrying straps around waist	<a href="#">A45F 3/005</a>

## A41F 1/002

### {Magnetic fastening devices}

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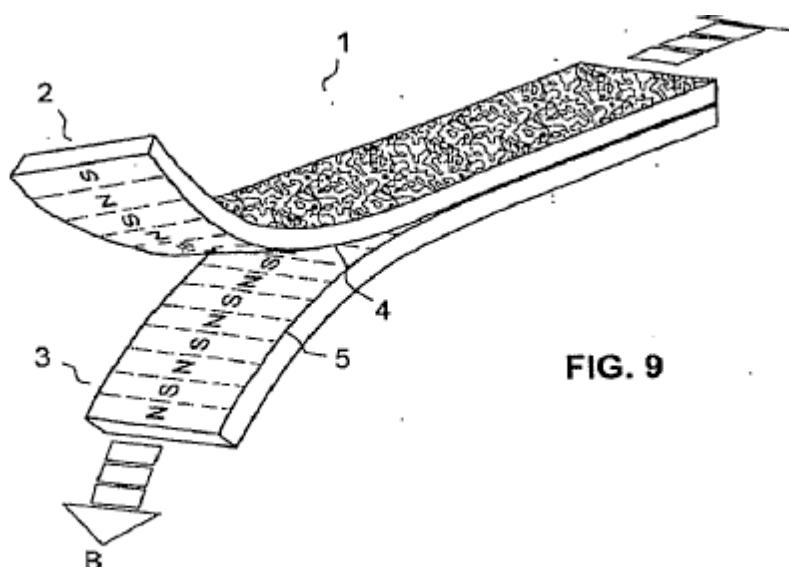


FIG. 9

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Magnetic fastening for accessories	<a href="#">A45C 13/1069</a>
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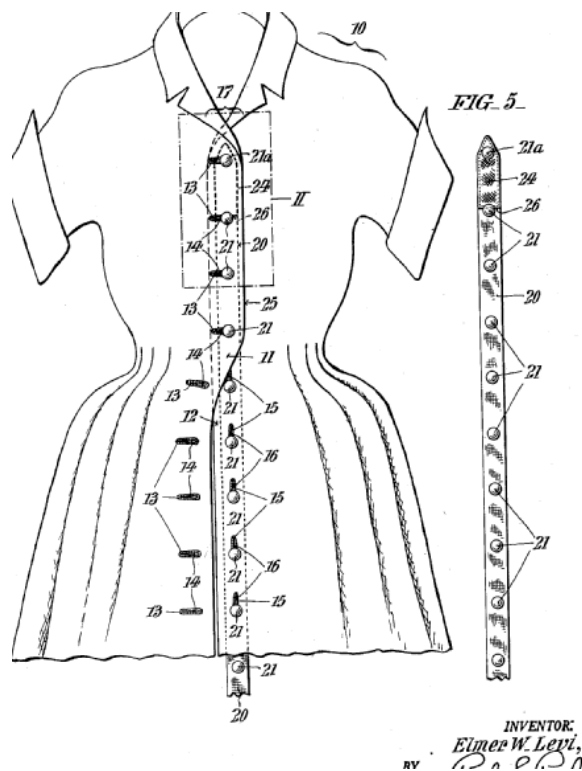
**A41F 1/004**

**{Strips of buttons}**

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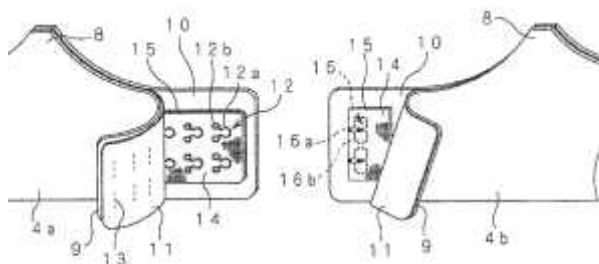
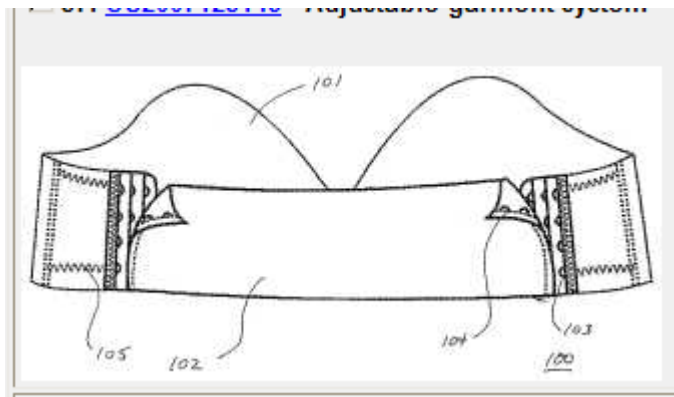
## A41F 1/006

### {Brassière fasteners}

#### Definition statement

*This subgroup covers:*

Illustrative example of subject matter classified in this group.



#### Special rules of classification within this group

Comprises only back fasteners of brassieres.

For front fastening of brassieres class only in [A41C 3/02](#).

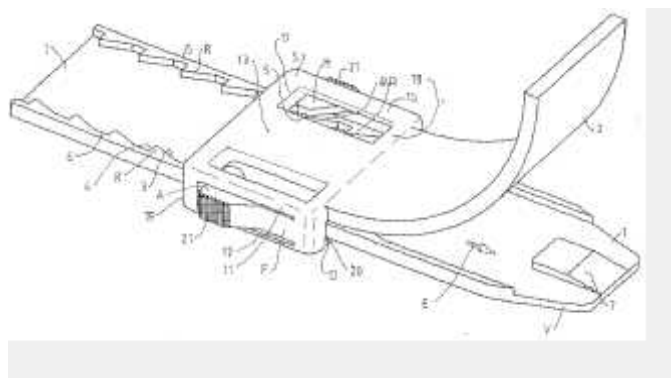
## A41F 1/008

{Adjustable fasteners comprising a track and a slide member (expandable or adjustable belts or girdles [A41F 9/02](#))}

### Definition statement

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Illustrative example of subject matter classified in this group.



### References relevant to classification in this group

*This subgroup does not cover:*

Expandable or adjustable belts or girdles	<a href="#">A41F 9/02</a>
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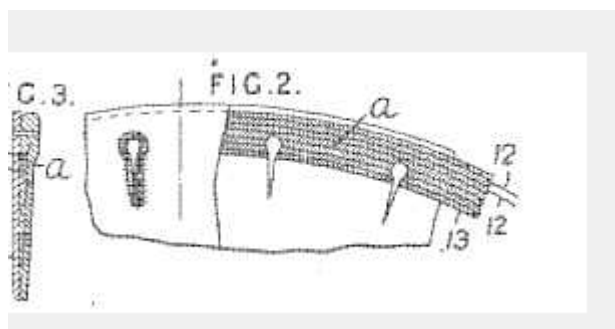
## A41F 1/02

Buttonholes; Eyelets for buttonholes

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## A41F 1/04

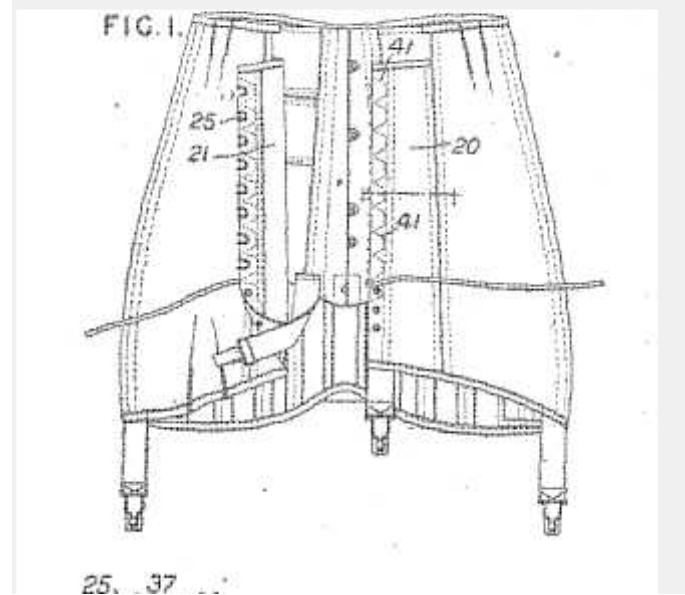
### Corset fasteners

#### Definition statement

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62. [GB560999](#) - Improvements relating to closures for corsets and similar garments





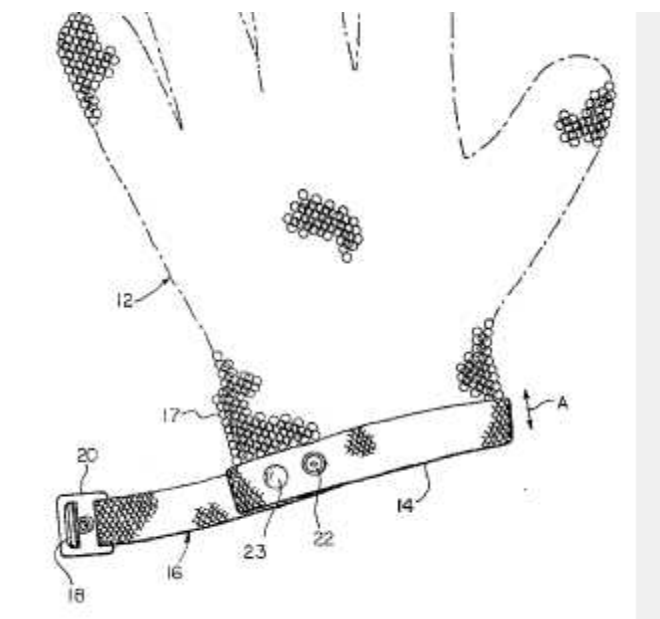
## A41F 1/06

### Glove fasteners

#### Definition statement

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Illustrative example of subject matter classified in this group.



#### Special rules of classification within this group

For fastening glove in cuff area (but not to another garment), class only in [A41F 1/06](#) and [A41D 19/0048](#).

For fastening glove in other area, class only in [A41F 1/06](#).

For fastening glove to another garment class in [A41D 19/0041](#).

## A41F 1/08

### Garter fasteners

#### Special rules of classification within this group

Not used, class in [A41F 11/00](#).

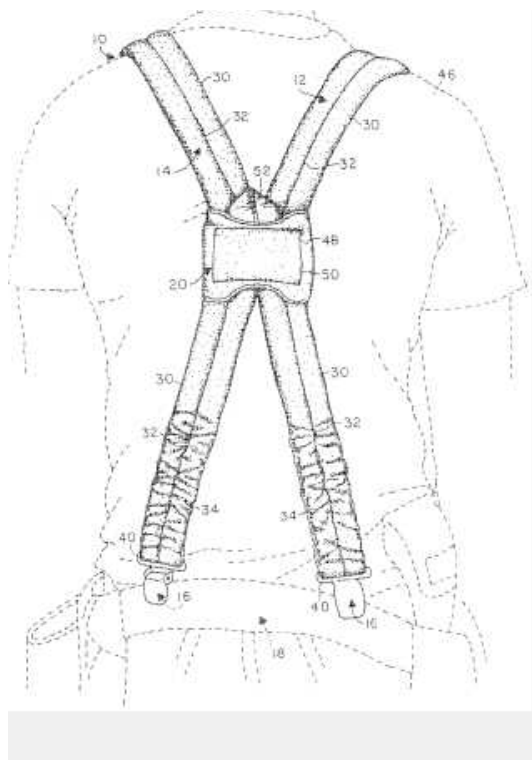
## A41F 3/00

### Braces

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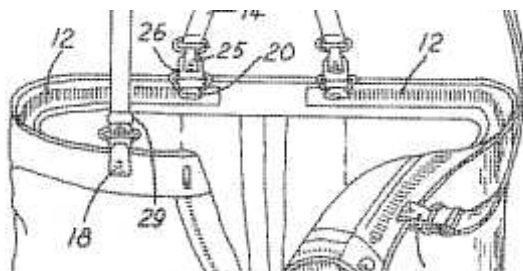
## A41F 3/02

### Strips, tongues, or the like, for attaching to the trousers

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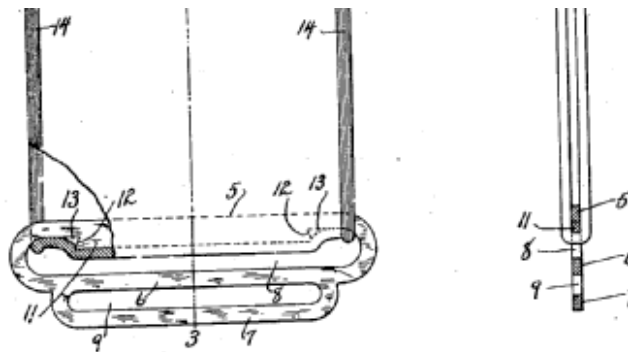
## A41F 3/04

Means for joining the strips, tongues, or the like, to the body of the braces

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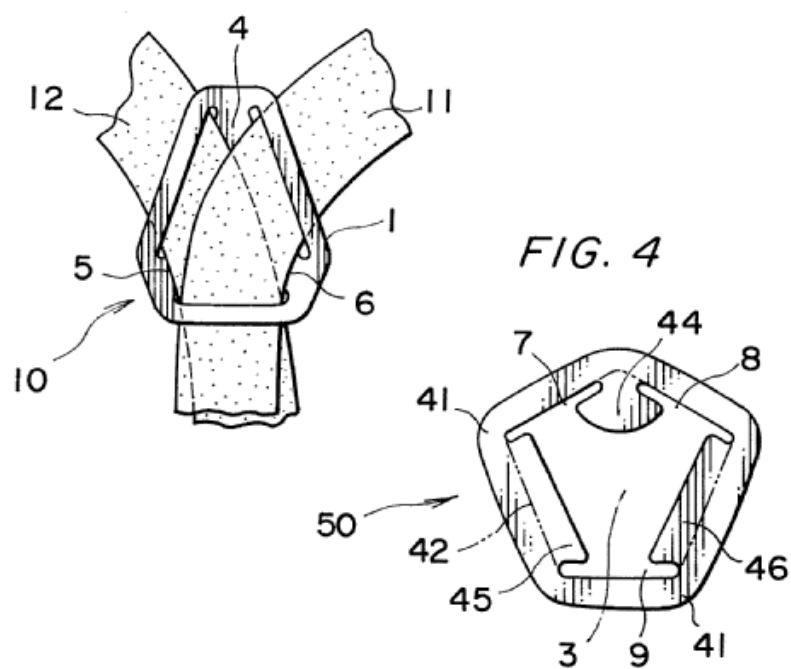
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*Fig. 4.*



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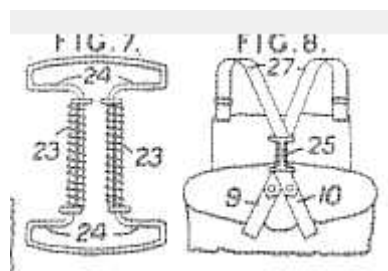
## A41F 3/045

{using springs}

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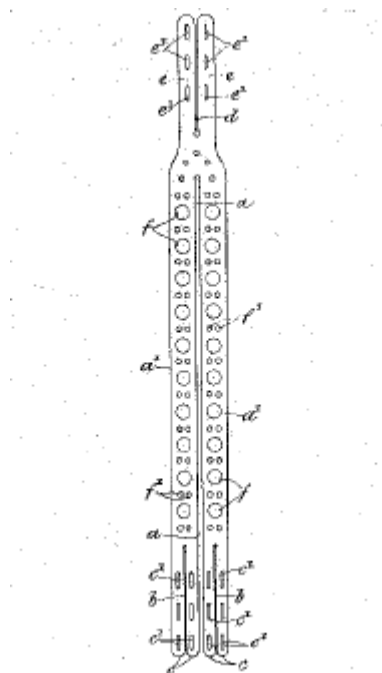
## A41F 3/06

**Means for rendering braces pliable; Elastic elements for braces; Braces completely made of rubber**

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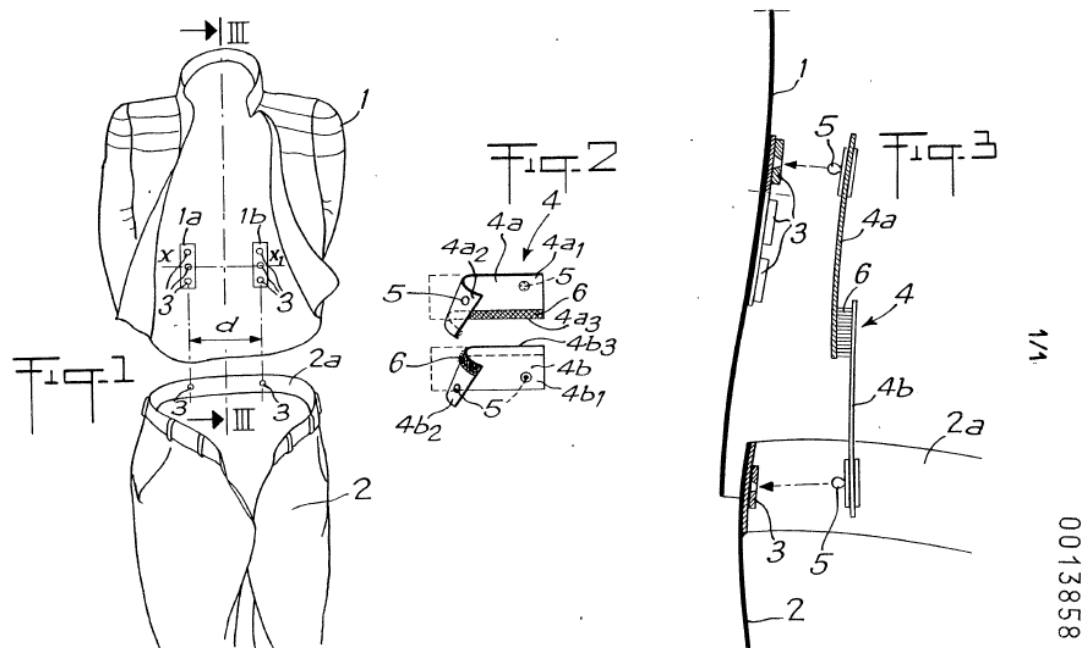
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**A41F 5/00****Trouser supports attached to the shirt, waistcoat, or the like****Definition statement**

*This group covers:*

Illustrative example of subject matter classified in this group.

**References relevant to classification in this group**

*This group does not cover:*

Shirts exchangeably attached to underbodies, drawers	<a href="#">A41B 1/06</a>
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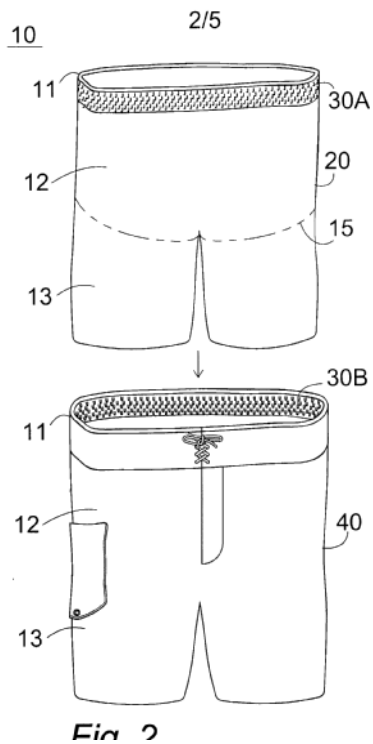
## A41F 7/00

### Devices for connecting underpants to trousers

#### Definition statement

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## **A41F 9/00**

### **Belts, girdles, or waistbands for trousers or skirts**

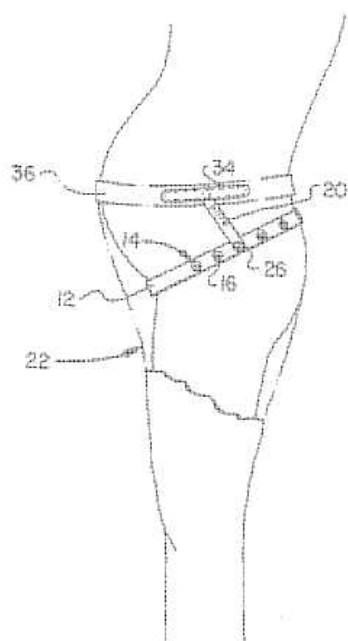
#### **Definition statement**

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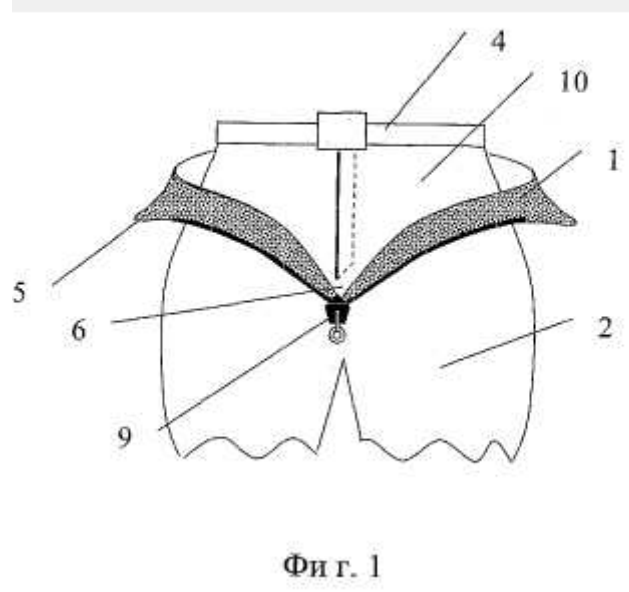
Illustrative example of subject matter classified in this group.



□ 174. [US4498201](#) - Trouser support system



□ 16. [WO2009064212](#) - WAIST DECORATIVE CLOTH ELEMENT



## References relevant to classification in this group

*This group does not cover:*

Waistbands forming part of undergarments	<a href="#">A41B 9/14</a>
Garter belts for stockings	<a href="#">A41F 11/00</a>

## Special rules of classification within this group

When girdle is used to support trouser or skirt, class in [A41F 9/00](#) and lower groups.

When girdle is used to shape body, class in [A41C 1/00](#) and lower groups.

If girdle is further used to support stocking or socks, class also in [A41F 11/00](#).

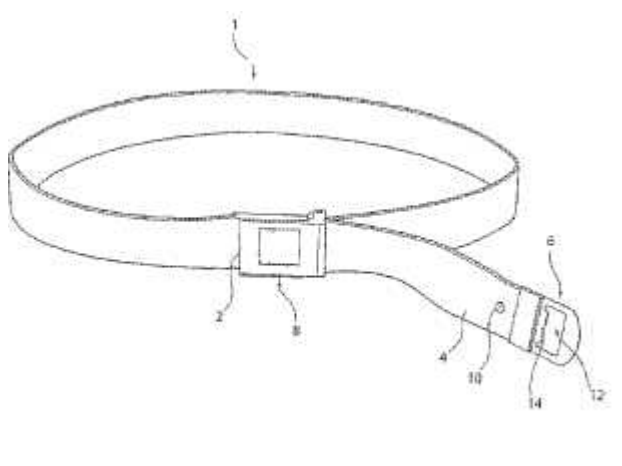
## A41F 9/002

### {Free belts}

### Definition statement

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### References relevant to classification in this group

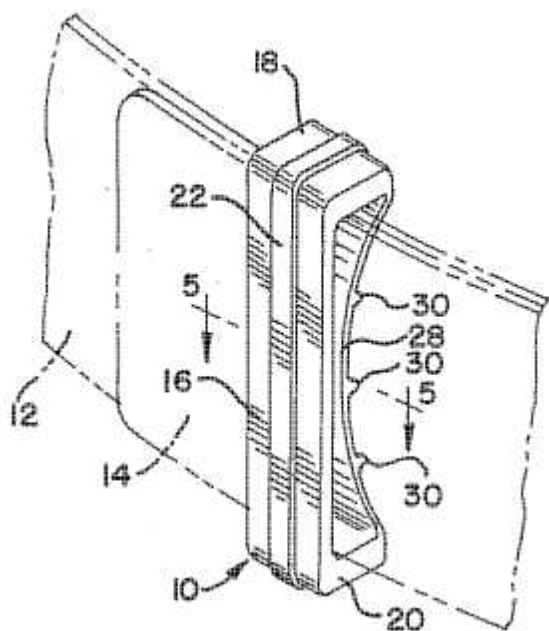
*This subgroup does not cover:*

Dog's collars	<a href="#">A01K 27/00</a>
Workbelts to carry tools	<a href="#">B25H 3/00</a>
Belts to carry guns (police)	<a href="#">F41C 33/046</a>

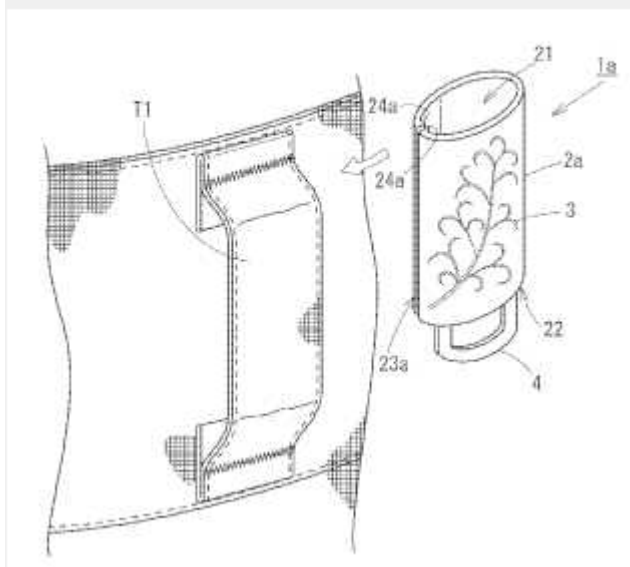
**A41F 9/007****{Belt loops}****Definition statement**

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□ 12. [WO2007029477](#) - ORNAMENT



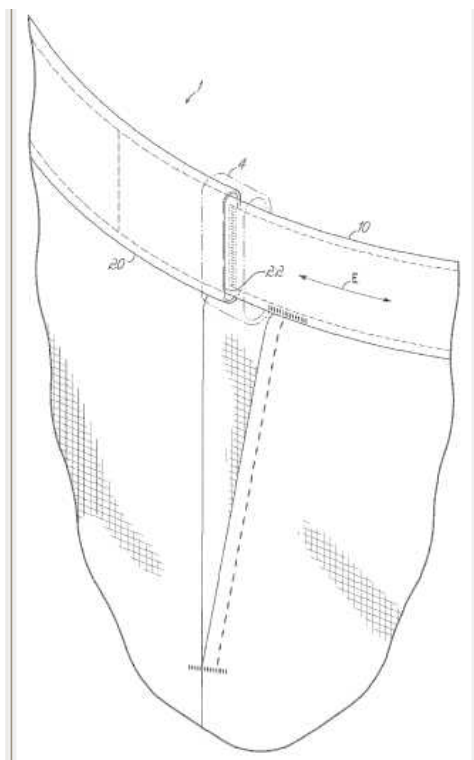
## A41F 9/02

Expansible or adjustable belts or girdles; {Adjustable fasteners comprising a track and a slide member ([A41F 1/008](#), [A41F 9/002](#) take precedence)}

### Definition statement

*This subgroup covers:*

Illustrative example of subject matter classified in this group.



### References relevant to classification in this group

*This subgroup does not cover:*

Adjustable fasteners comprising a track and a slide member	<a href="#">A41F 1/008</a>
Free belts	<a href="#">A41F 9/002</a>

### Special rules of classification within this group

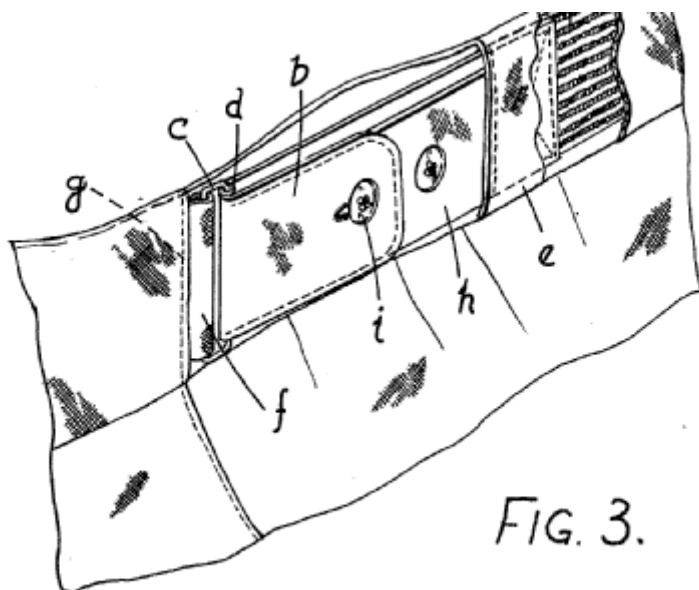
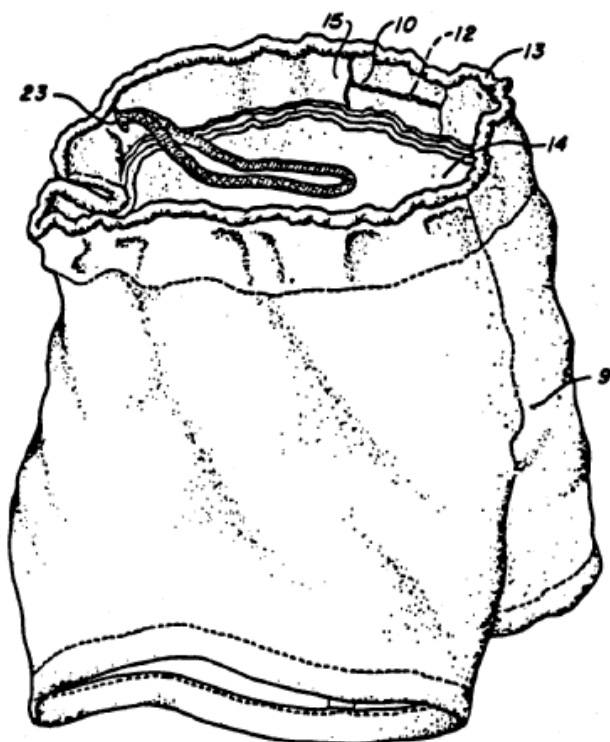
When girdle is used to support trouser or skirt, class in [A41F 9/00](#) and lower groups.

When girdle is used to shape body, class in [A41C 1/00](#) and lower groups.

If girdle is further used to support stocking or socks, class also in [A41F 11/00](#).

**A41F 9/025****{Adjustable belts or girdles}****Definition statement***This subgroup covers:*

Illustrative example of subject matter classified in this group.

*FIG. 3.*

## Special rules of classification within this group

Comprises drawstrings inside pants.

When girdle is used to support trouser or skirt, class in [A41F 9/00](#) and lower groups.

When girdle is used to shape body, class in [A41C 1/00](#) and lower groups.

If girdle is further used to support stocking or socks, class also in [A41F 11/00](#).

For closures of garments using straps or ties (no drawstrings inside waist of pants), class in [A41D 2300/33](#).

## A41F 11/00

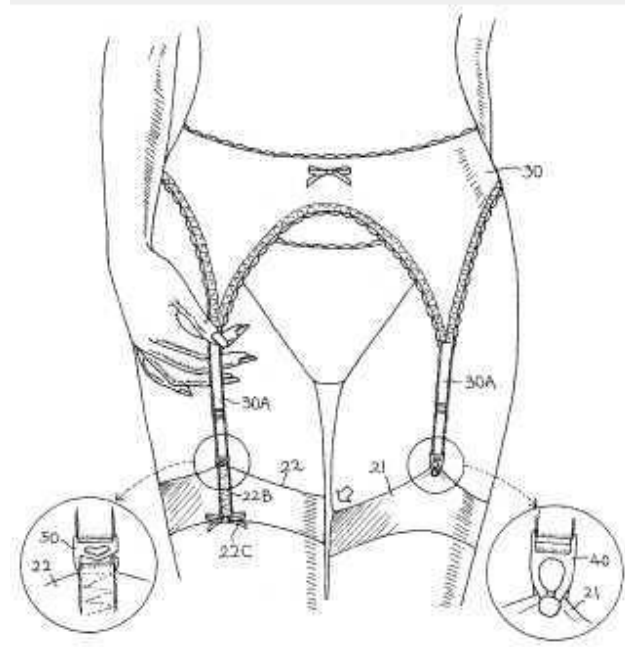
### Stocking or sock suspenders

#### Definition statement

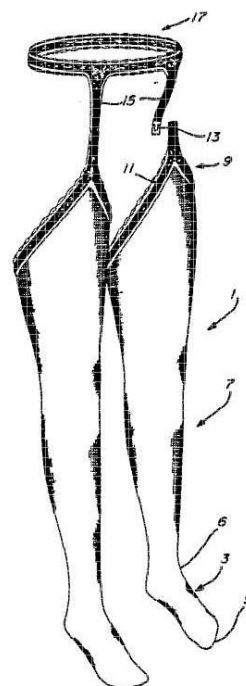
*This group covers:*

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□ 2. [US2010205721](#) - Hose-holding undergarment and corresponding hose



□ 68. [EP0344921](#) - Ladies stockings.



## Special rules of classification within this group

When suspension done by a different device from the stocking, classify in [A41F 11/00](#) and lower groups.

When suspension is integral with stocking classify in [A41B 11/12](#) and lower groups.

When stocking is adapted to allow separate garter to fasten, class in [A41B 11/12](#) and [A41F 11/00](#) and lower groups and also as additional information in [A41B 11/12](#).

Comprises garter belts.

For stocking or socks supports other than suspenders, classify in [A41F 13/00](#).

If girdle is further used to support stocking or socks, classify also as additional information in [A41F 11/00](#).

When girdle is used to support trouser or skirt, classify in [A41F 9/00](#) and lower groups.

When girdle is used to shape body, classify in [A41C 1/00](#) and lower groups.

### **Glossary of terms**

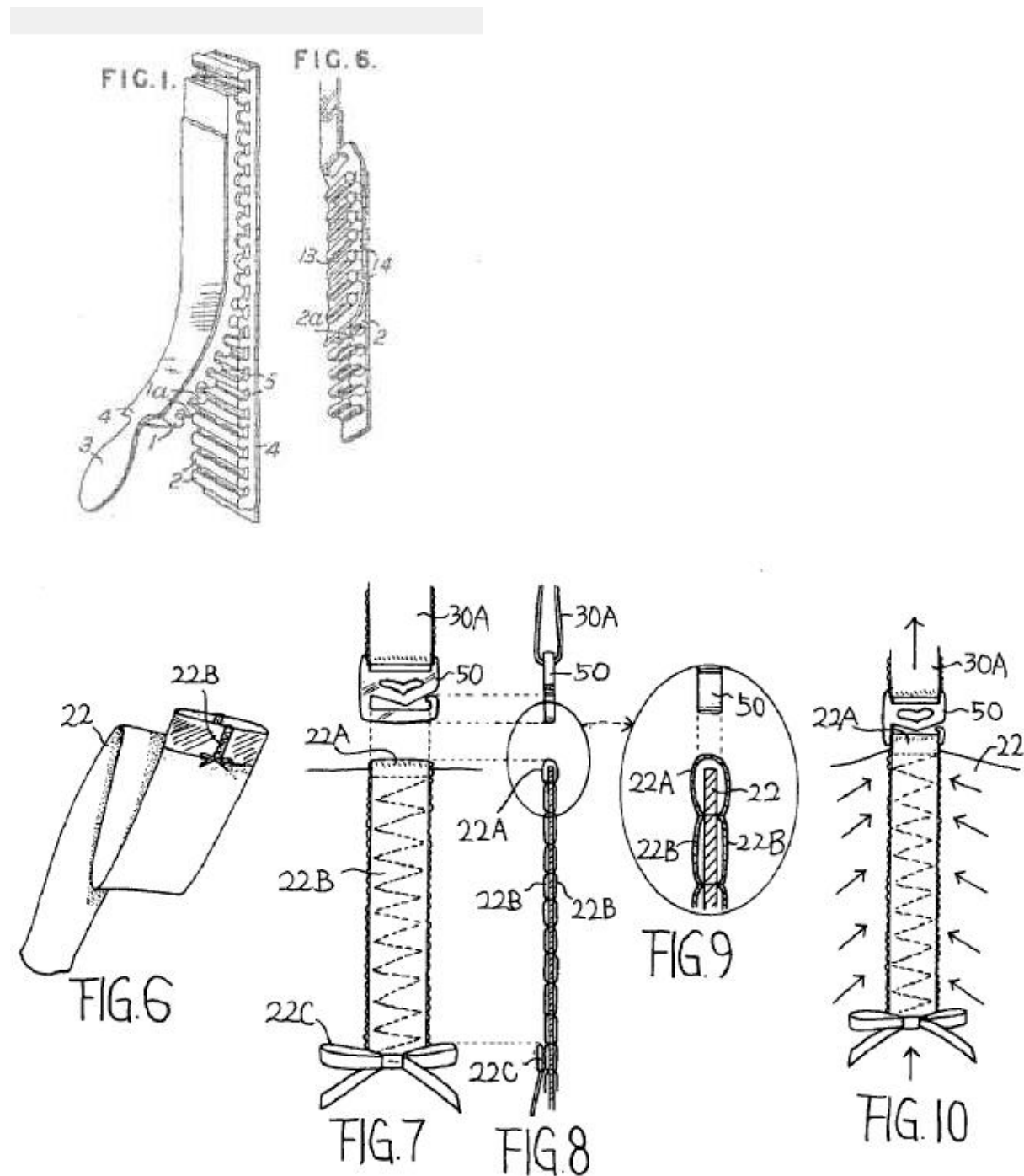
*In this group, the following terms (or expressions) are used with the meaning indicated:*

Garter	A band worn round the leg, either above or below the knee, to keep the stocking from falling down.
Garter belt	A suspender-belt

**A41F 11/02****Devices for attaching the stocking or sock to the suspender****Definition statement**

*This subgroup covers:*

Illustrative example of subject matter classified in this group.



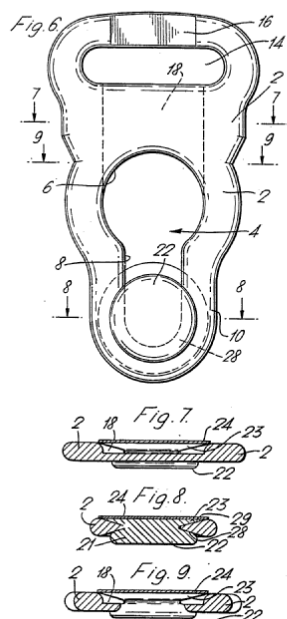


**A41F 11/04****of the stud-and-loop type****Definition statement**

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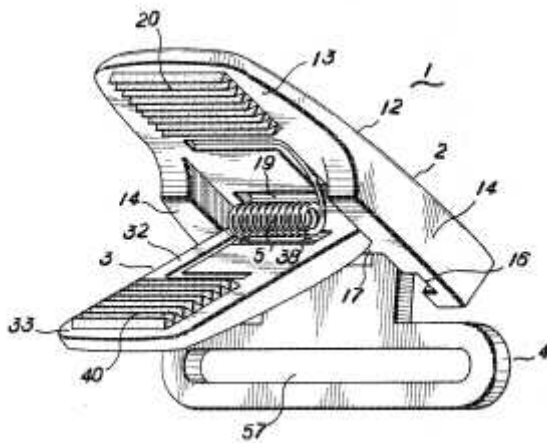
## A41F 11/06

### Pivoted-jaw clips

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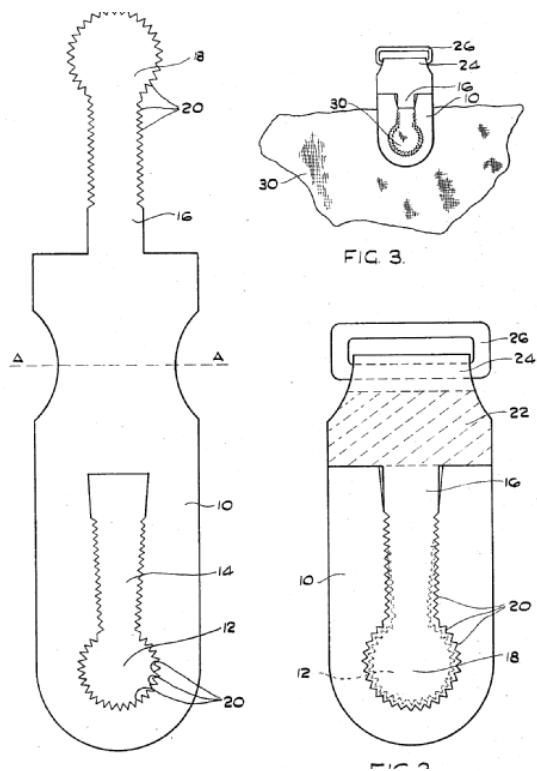
**A41F 11/08**

consisting of one part

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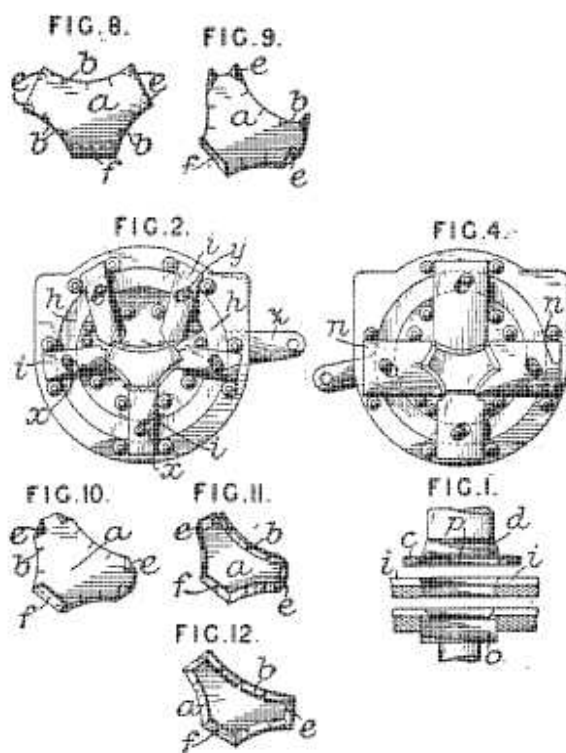
## A41F 11/10

### Shields or like intermediate members

#### Definition statement

*This subgroup covers:*

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## A41F 11/12

with devices for adjusting the length

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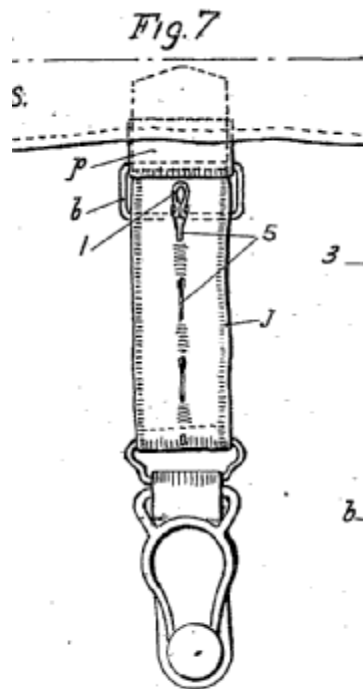


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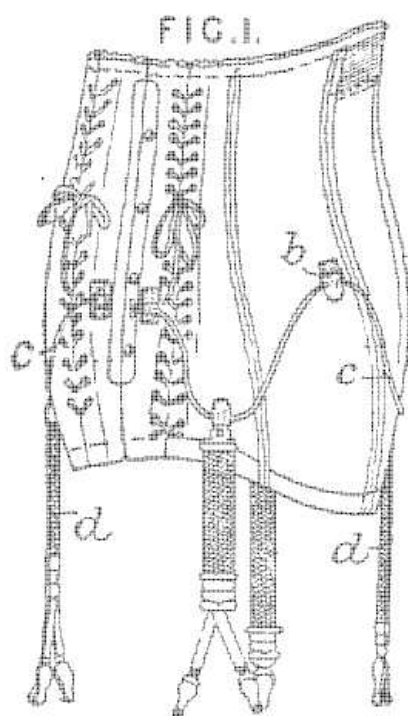
## A41F 11/14

**Means for fastening the suspender to the garment, e.g. trousers, underpants**

### Definition statement

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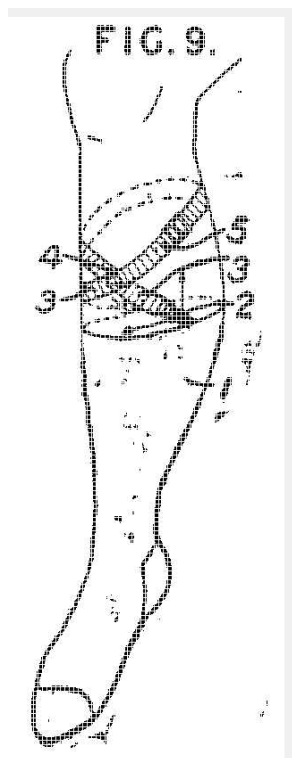
## A41F 11/16

### Garters

#### Definition statement

*This subgroup covers:*

Illustrative example of subject matter classified in this group.



#### Special rules of classification within this group

For garter belts class in [A41F 11/00](#).

#### Glossary of terms

*In this subgroup, the following terms (or expressions) are used with the meaning indicated:*

Garter	A band worn round the leg, either above or below the knee, to keep the stocking from falling down.
Garter belt	A suspender-belt

## A41F 11/18

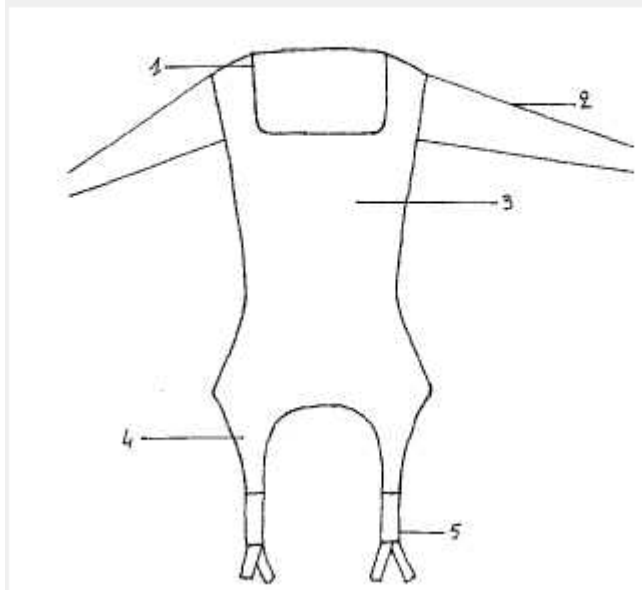
**Means for fastening the stocking directly to the undergarment**

### Definition statement

*This subgroup covers:*

Illustrative example of subject matter classified in this group.

8. [FR2738463](#) - (A3) Ladies garment combining body and suspender belt



### Special rules of classification within this group

Applies to overgarments also.



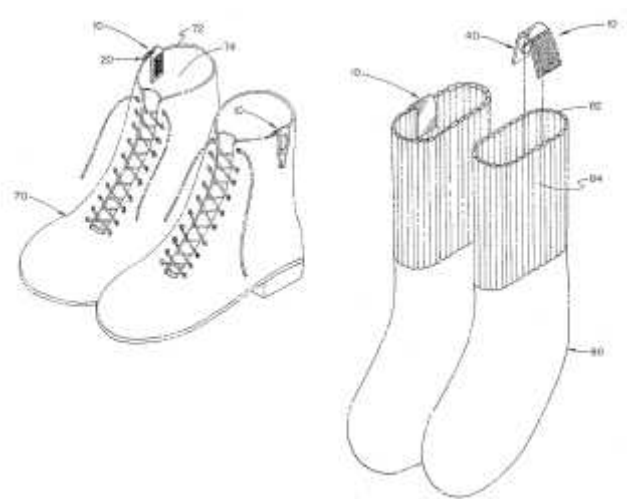
## A41F 13/00

**Other devices for supporting or holding stockings or socks during wear**

### Definition statement

*This group covers:*

Illustrative example of subject matter classified in this group.



### Special rules of classification within this group

Comprises stocking or sock supports other than suspenders.

For stocking or sock suspenders class in [A41F 11/00](#) and lower groups.

## A41F 15/00

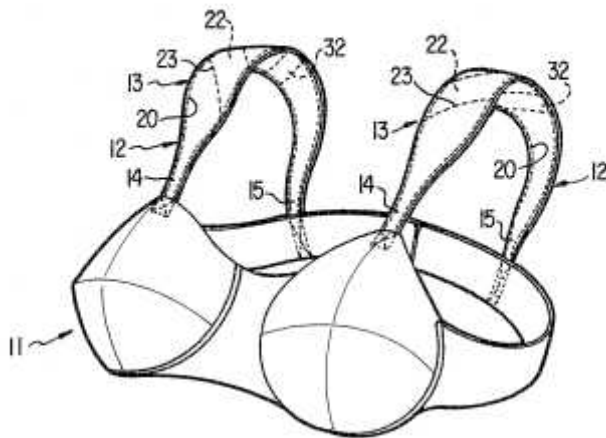
### Shoulder or like straps

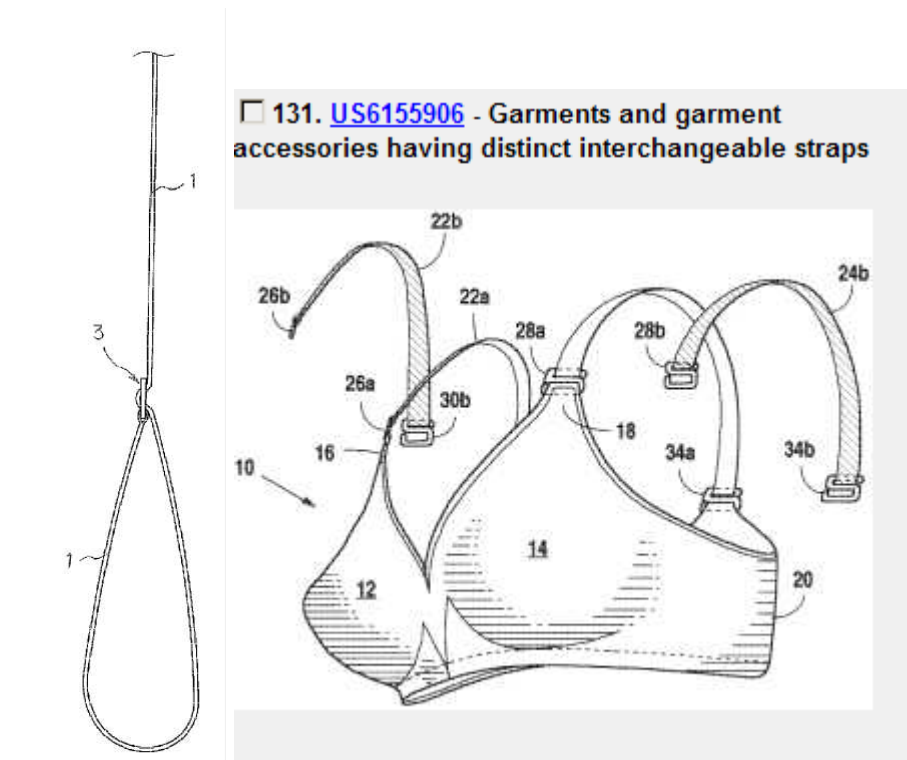
#### Definition statement

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□ 44. [US4100924](#) - Shoulder strap



**A41F 15/002****{separable or adjustable}****Definition statement***This subgroup covers:*

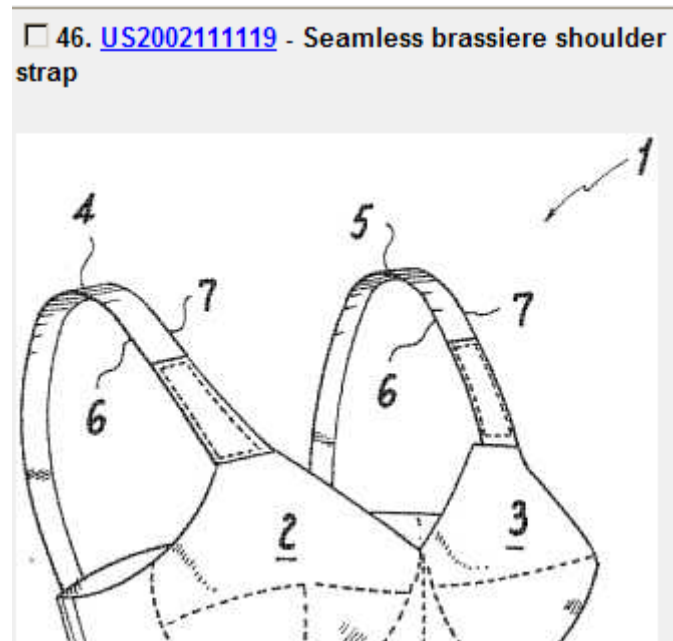
## A41F 15/005

{Tapes for shoulder straps}

### Definition statement

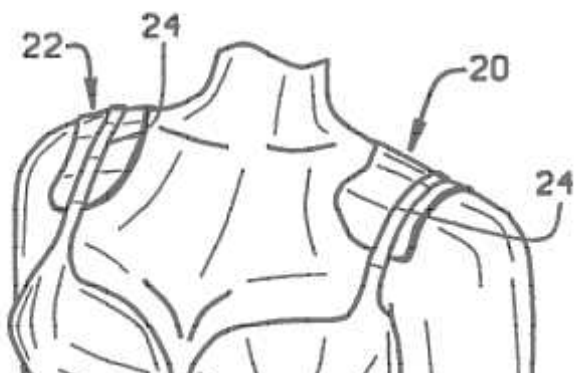
*This subgroup covers:*

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**A41F 15/007****{Shoulder cushioning attachments}****Definition statement***This subgroup covers:*

83. [WO9639057](#) - ORTHOTIC EPAULET FOR ALLEVIATING DISCOMFORT FROM BRASSIERE STRAPS

**References relevant to classification in this group***This subgroup does not cover:*

Shaping shoulder-pads	<a href="#">A41D 27/26</a>
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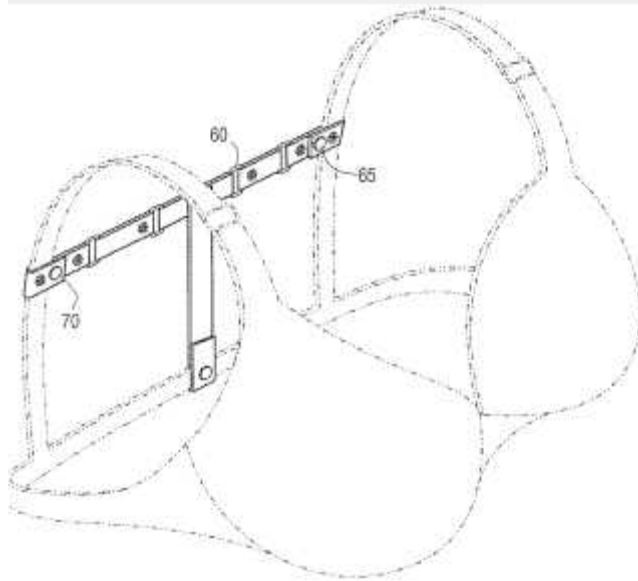
## A41F 15/02

### Means for retaining the straps in position

#### Definition statement

*This subgroup covers:*

□ 36. [US6135853](#) - Bra strap concealer apparatus



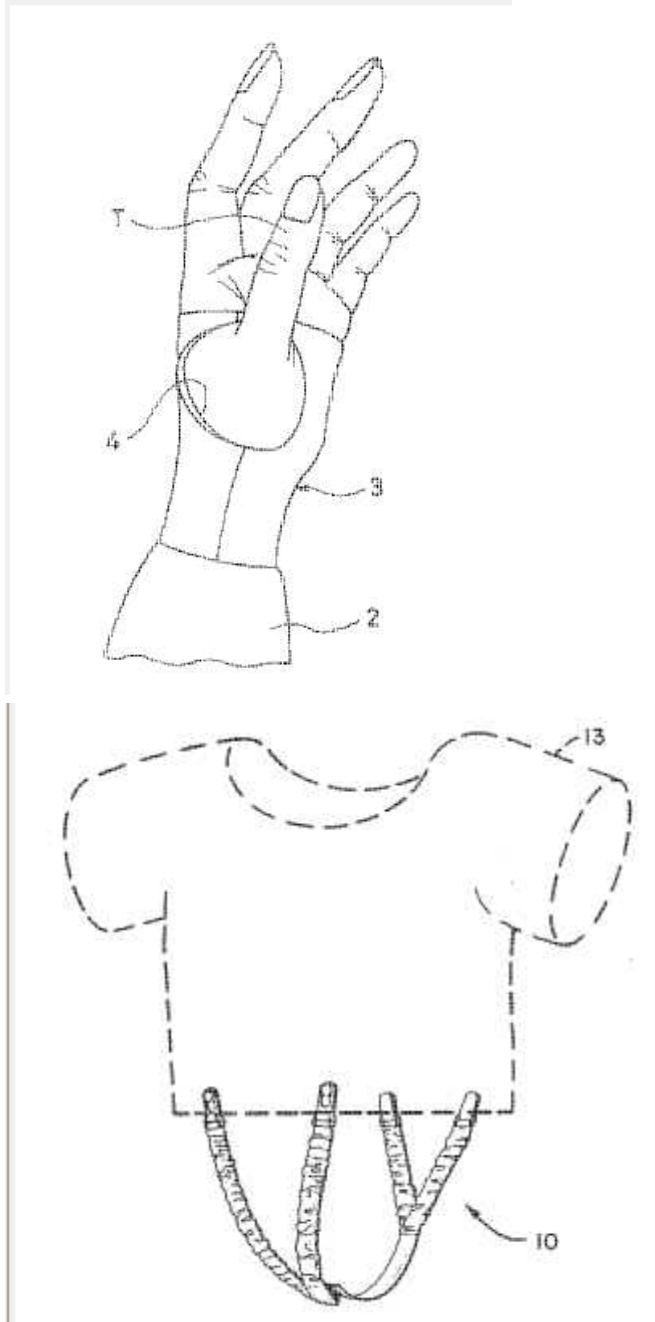
## A41F 17/00

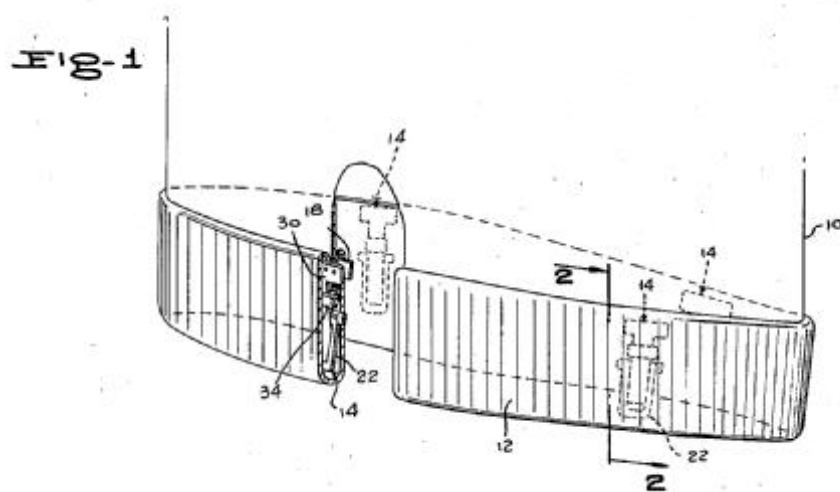
### Means for holding-down garments

#### Definition statement

*This group covers:*

□ 49. [JP6136601](#) - LONG-SLEEVE WEAR



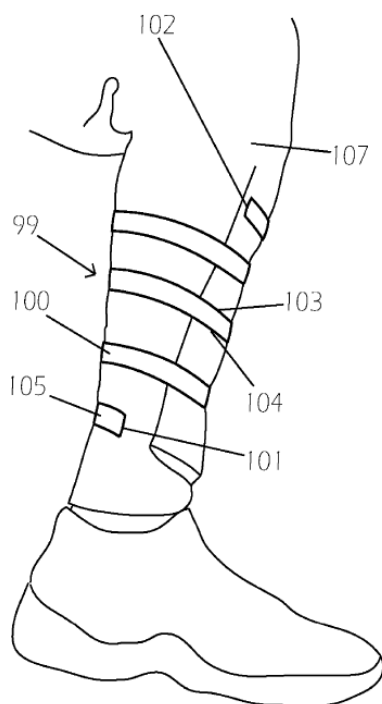


### Special rules of classification within this group

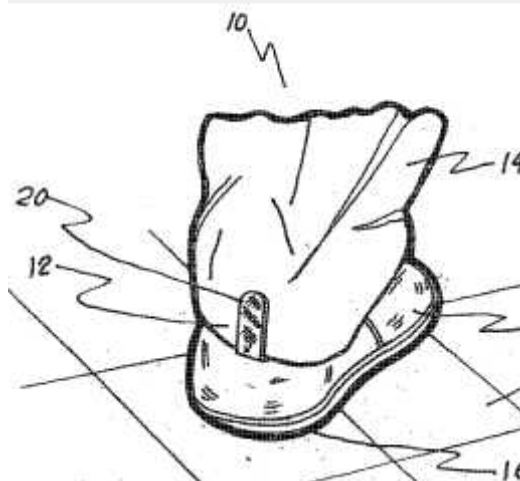
Comprises devices to hold down bottom edges or sleeve ends of shirts or blouses.

For fastening the trouser cuff to the shoe class in [A41F 17/00](#) and [A41D 1/06](#).



**A41F 17/02****Clips or the like for trousers or skirts, e.g. for cyclists****Definition statement***This subgroup covers:*

26. [US2006213036](#) - Pants cuff clip

**References relevant to classification in this group***This subgroup does not cover:*

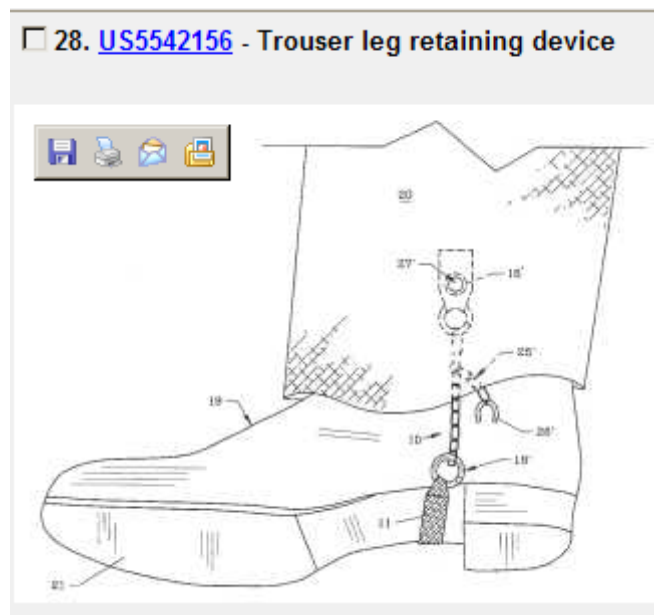
Paper clips of flat sections	<a href="#">B42F 1/06</a>
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## A41F 17/04

### Straps on the lower end of legs of trousers

#### Definition statement

*This subgroup covers:*



#### References relevant to classification in this group

*This subgroup does not cover:*

Fastening means for gaiters	<a href="#">A41D 17/005</a>
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## A41F 19/00

### Garment suspenders not otherwise provided for

#### References relevant to classification in this group

*This group does not cover:*

Shirts exchangeably attached to underbodices, drawers	<a href="#">A41B 1/06</a>
Fastening cuffs to shirts	<a href="#">A41B 7/04</a>
Fastening shirt cuffs to sleeves of jackets	<a href="#">A41B 7/06</a>

#### Special rules of classification within this group

Comprises sleeves of long gloves, fastening to biceps area

## A41F 19/005

{Means for adjusting the length of sleeves}

### Definition statement

*This subgroup covers:*

Illustrative example of subject matter classified in this group.

